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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

ANDRX LABS, LLC
Junior Party
(U.S. Patent 6,869,615),

v.

ASTRAZENECA AB
Senior Party
(U.S. Application 10/620,000).

Patent Interference No. 105,533 (MPT)
(Technology Center 1600)

JUDGMENT - ADVERSE - Bd. R. 127(b)

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2 Before: Lee, Medley and Tierney, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

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4 Tierney, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

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6 Andrx Labs (“Andrx”) has conceded priority of invention as to the
7 subject matter of Count 1, the sole count in interference but reserves the
8 right to raise all challenges and defenses in any other proceeding against
9 Astra’s involved patent application. (Andrx Concession on Priority, Paper

1 26). To the extent Andrx's concession attempts to avoid interference
2 estoppel, we direct Andrx's attention to *Shustack v. Szum*, 78 USPQ2d 1566
3 (Bd. Pat. App. & Int. 2005) and *Eli Lilly and Co. v. Cameron*, 61 USPQ2d
4 1863 (Bd. Pat. App. & Int. 2001).

5 It is:

6 **ORDERED** that judgment on priority as to Count 1, the sole count in
7 interference (Redeclaration, Paper 22), is awarded against Junior Party
8 Andrx.

9 **FURTHER ORDERED** that Junior Party Andrx is not entitled to
10 claims 1-9, 20-24 and 26 of U.S. Patent 6,869,615, all of which correspond
11 to Count 1.

12 **FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this paper shall be made of
13 record in the files of Andrx, U.S. Patent 6,869,615 and AstraZeneca, U.S.
14 Application 10/620,000.

15 **FURTHER ORDERED** that the parties' attention is directed to 35
16 U.S.C. §135(c) and Bd. R. 205.

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